

## FINE CALABASH IS PRESENT TO SHRINER HEAD

Presentations Made at Farewell Ball at Moana; Visitors Left Today

As a token of their regard for the man who came here to inspect the Honolulu Shrine, members of Aloha Temple, Shriners presented Imperial Potentate J. Putnam Stevens with a handsome and beautifully finished calabash, the presentation forming part of the program at the farewell ball given at the Moana hotel last night for the visiting Shriners.

In a brief but well-worded speech, Imperial Potentate Stevens accepted the gift. He told of his admiration for Honolulu, the people of the city, and the members and work of Aloha Temple, and declared that some day he would return to these islands to become better acquainted with the local members of the big order.

The dance was easily one of the big social events of the season. Between 700 and 800 persons attended, including local and visiting Shriners, with their friends and ladies. The dancing did not end until far into the morning. One of Ernest Kael's orchestras, composed of 18 singers and players, furnished the music.

Aside from the presentation to the Imperial Potentate, another of interest was that to Lester Petrie, captain of the Arab Patrol, which has made an excellent showing both at home and on the mainland. The gift was a huge silver platter, appropriately engraved, it being presented by those members of Aloha Temple who are visiting in Honolulu, and who are better known as the Islam Scouts.

Mrs. J. S. McCandless, whose husband, "Sunny Jim" McCandless, is a member of the Imperial Divan; and Mrs. Thomas E. Wall were presented with attractive silver vases filled with roses. While there was no set reception last night, the "get acquainted" spirit prevailed throughout the affair, giving the visitors ample opportunity to meet the members of Aloha Temple and their relatives and friends.

Imperial Potentate Stevens and practically all of the members of the visiting party were to return to the coast in the steamer Great Northern at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Members of Aloha Temple had planned a royal send-off, with leis and flowers for distribution among those departing.

Today was given over to sight-seeing. Imperial Potentate Stevens and other members of the party spending the morning swimming and surfing at Waikiki Beach. Lester Petrie accompanied a party about Honolulu and vicinity.

It is safe to say that all of the visitors have become impressed with Honolulu—its people and its scenic attractions, and many of them have expressed their intention to return to the islands.

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## TEN GAMBLING CASES GO OVER TO WEDNESDAY

Nolle Prosequis and Postponements Feature Today's Court Session

The entire block of 10 chefta gambling cases in which Officer Jesse Gray of Wahiawa was involved was postponed until April 5 by Police Judge J. M. Monsarrat this morning. These are the Wahiawa cases in which Chinese, Japanese, Koreans and Filipinos are included and were down on the police court calendar as Nos. 5 to 15.

The case against Frank Costa for running over a man was carried over for a week, as the injured man is still suffering in the Queen's Hospital.

Attorney E. A. Douthitt, who had been secured to assist the prosecuting attorney in the assault and battery charge against Wong Chee, appeared before the court this morning and asked that the case be nolle. The police magistrate nolle the case at once and proceeded to the next on his calendar.

After impressing a young Chinese boy and his sister, Kwong Sang, aged 13, and Kum Lin, aged 15, respectively, with the seriousness of disturbing the peace by assaulting a playmate, Judge Monsarrat turned them over to the juvenile court. The case against their mother on the same charge will be continued until the juvenile court has disposed of the children.

## HILLO CONVENTION AND COUNTY FAIR PLANS PROGRESS

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as there is to be a meeting of the committee to take up that matter on Monday evening.

Promises of entries are coming in very fast and there will be exhibits from every section of the county. Prizes are also being donated by many people, and the latest to be presented is a fine sewing machine which has been given by E. H. Moses for the best school exhibit.

Hilo business houses are taking up the scheme of President William McKay of the Hilo Board of Trade and are having special envelopes and stationery printed advertising the convention and fair. Some of the businessmen are sending out cards telling of the two big gatherings in every letter and statement they mail.

The exhibits for the fair will embrace about everything in the way of agriculture, home industries, chickens, cattle, horses, dogs and all other kinds of products of the county. The various sections will be announced in the near future and then intending exhibitors will know what is to be shown.

The captain and crew of the German commerce raider Moewe have been granted vacations.

## GREAT RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE NOW ALMOST STOPPED

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ments on the Firth of Forth and Newcastle, and important places of shipbuilding works, as well as blast furnaces and factories on the Tyne river. Explosive and incendiary bombs were thrown with very good success.

Numerous fires and violent explosions, with extensive demonstrations resulted. One battery near Newcastle was silenced. In spite of heavy shelling from anti-aircraft guns, all of the airships returned to their base and landed safely.

German Headquarters Report, April 2.—Near Fay, south of the Somme, the enemy started an attack after a short artillery preparation, but its development was hindered by German fire.

The French shelled Bethinville, east of Rheims, causing a heavy loss among their own country people, killing three women and one child and wounding five men, four women and one child badly. East of the Meuse the Germans took positions after careful artillery preparation. This morning the French fire increased to the utmost violence, after which the expected counter attack was undertaken, but broke down under the heavy fire of German machine guns and artillery.

Besides large losses, the enemy lost 11 officers and 720 men taken prisoner as well as five guns.

Today the aviators were active on both sides, causing numerous air engagements, which were successful for the Germans. Four aeroplanes of the enemy were shot down beyond the German front and near Hollekeke, an English biplane was shot down and the inmates imprisoned. Here 1st Lieut. Berthold disabled his fourth aeroplane, while southwest of Lens a German anti-aircraft gun disabled an enemy aeroplane and hurled it to the ground, burning. The town of Dombeas west of Verdun, where large numbers of troops were assembled, and the site of an aeronautic field was bombarded.

On the east front the situation is generally unchanged.

Yesterday, German Headquarters Report, April 4.—West of the Meuse all the enemy's positions north of Forges rivulet between Hancourt and Bethincourt are firmly in German hands.

German troops are fighting about the French trenches and points d'appui southwest and south of the fortress of Douaumont.

On the east front there is nothing important.

The German air squadrons have thrown bombs on eastern railroad stations on the road to Minsk, and also on camps of the Russians. A German airship bombarded the railroad station at Minsk.

During the night of April 2-3 army and navy aeroplanes attacked London docks and other military points on the British east coast, and also bombarded Dunkirk.

The Russian Offensive.

The following army order concerning the Russian offensive by the Russian chief commander has been found: "Troops of west front—Six months ago with very weakened forces and a small number of rifles and cartridges, you stopped the enemy's advance and after having halted the enemy near Molodetchko you occupied your actual positions. His majesty and your country now expect from you new heroic achievements, to drive the enemy outside the limits of the empire. When tomorrow you will start, I believe in your courage, deep patriotism and love for the Czar, and am convinced that you will do your sacred duty towards the Czar and your country, and liberate your brethren who suffer under the yoke of the enemy. God help our sacred cause."

"Adj. Gen. Evert." "It is astonishing for anybody who knows Russian conditions that such an enterprise was begun at the time of the year when serious difficulties may arise any day from the snow melting. It may be supposed that the time has been chosen not by the free will of the Russian commander but by the pressure of the suffering ally."

"If therefore a cessation of Russian attacks is caused, according to the Russian headquarters report, only by a change of weather, this is only a half truth, since the losses are a reason as well as the swampy soil."

The Russian casualties, according to cautious calculations, are not less than 140,000 men. The Russian headquarters report ought, therefore, rather to state that the great offensive was made not only in swamps but in swamps and blood."

## VESSELS TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS

(Special Wireless to Merchants' Exchange.)

SAN FRANCISCO—Sailed, April 3, 4 p. m., Nor. S. S. Belridge for Honolulu.

YOKOHAMA—Arrived, April 3, S. S. Etsu Maru, hence Mar. 22.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Arrived, April 3, S. S. Hokkai Maru, hence March 25.

S. S. MATSONIA, sails for San Francisco at 10 a. m., tomorrow. U. S. A. T. THOMAS sails for San Francisco at 5 p. m., today.

The export of wet or dry salted hides from South Africa except to Great Britain, has been prohibited.

Miss Nebraska Cropsy, known throughout the country as an educator, died at her home at Pittsburg, aged 71.

## PEACE PROJECTS OF YUAN THOUGHT TO HAVE FAILED

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Yuan he will have lost his last hold on the people of China. It is thought that there are many revolutionists in the Peking garrison and that they will adopt the same system which was successful at Canton.

Yuan has sent a wire to Tang Chao Yi, the former premier, urging him to make every effort to mediate between the revolutionists and the Yuan party. In his wire he stated that he feared that a certain foreign power will intervene unless the revolution is stopped at once. Tang Chao Yi acted as peace-maker in the last revolution in China.

## REPUBLIC WILL BE SEEN HERE AGAIN SOON

With riveters hammering away and steam winches unloading her copra cargo the American steamer Republic, formerly the German steamer Walkure, which left Honolulu at 5 o'clock the afternoon of Friday, March 11, resuming her voyage from Papeete, Tahiti, presents a scene of considerable activity at San Francisco. She is due to leave that port April 15 for the Far East, and will undoubtedly call here for bunkers en route.

According to the Chronicle of March 26, no time was lost in starting repairs to the upper works of the famous steamer, which arrived the night of March 24. "Almost as soon as the first sling-load of copra went over the side the hammers were at work," says that paper.

"Shattered by exploding shrapnel from the German men-of-war, the ironwork of the upper houses was riddled with holes, as well as the deck, when the war vessels bombarded the Walkure as she lay in the harbor of Papeete, and all this damage is to be repaired with new plates before the vessel goes to sea."

Between decks and on the upper deck the gang of ironworkers was busy from early yesterday morning as the vessel lay at Pier 22, and the noise of hammers cutting away the old plates mingled with the clang of the steam winches as the copra cargo was yanked from the holds and swung to the pier.

"The Republic is on the berth to load for the Far East, and is scheduled to get away from here April 15 with a full cargo of 8000 tons. In spite of her long immersion in the waters of Tahiti the wooden part of the upper works and the decks are in good shape, and with a small amount of work they will be as good as new."

"The proudest man in San Francisco yesterday was Captain 'Leb' Curtis, who was in charge of the salvage operations of the Republic and who brought the vessel to this port under her own steam and with a good-sized cargo in her holds."

He was congratulated by shipping men along California street whenever he went during the day over the feat, the accomplishment of which any seafaring man might be proud."

Mme. Rosika Schwimmer will retire from the Ford Permanent Peace Board.

Kaiser Wilhelm has ordered the sale of several of his castles, the proceeds to be contributed to the new German war loan.

Four men trapped in the towboat J. O. Watson when she overturned in the Ohio river near Wellsburg, W. Va., escaped by kicking out the windows.

## SUGAR REFINING PLANTS A MONTH BEHIND IN WORK

NEW YORK, N. Y.—A combination of circumstances which, according to sugar merchants, could not be foreseen has forced up the price of sugar and limited the supply to a point which, although it can hardly be termed a shortage, is admitted to be serious. One of the large dealers said that the congestion of freight from Cuba and the strike of the employees at the plants of the American Sugar Refining and other companies in conjunction with the increased demand from Europe for sugar produced in this country, had put the dealers almost a month behind on their orders.

Although no real shortage is expected, it was said that retailers would have to pay an increased price for sugar and would have to order in small quantities until such time as the refiners could catch up with their orders. The growers in Cuba, where the bulk of the sugar refined in this country comes from, have taken advantage of the increased demand and are holding for higher prices.

"Just as soon as the price of sugar began to advance sharply in January there was a great increase in orders," said the dealer. "This only served to drive the price higher and to congest the market. In addition to this we signed contracts to deliver large quantities of sugar to Europe. The production in Germany and Austria has been greatly curtailed and none of it is being sent outside of those two countries. We are practically supplying the rest of Europe with sugar. At present I see nothing to indicate a real shortage of sugar. There is enough in the country to supply the present demand and the advance in price will naturally cut down the consumption to a large extent."

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